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Dear Ms. Reed:

STAT In connection with the forthcoming visit of CIA Personnel Officer [redacted] to Princeton, you have inquired as to the Agency's policy with regard to hiring homosexuals.

The CIA selects its employees on the basis of professional qualifications and aptitudes alone. Agency employees are entrusted with access to highly sensitive classified information relating to the national security. Consequently, before employment procedures are completed and an employee enters on duty the employee must receive a security clearance. For this purpose the employee must be determined to be of unquestioned loyalty and good character. Moreover, the employee must be found not likely to be susceptible to techniques known to be used by hostile foreign intelligence services in attempts to compromise the security of CIA activities. In determining whether these qualities are met, all relevant factors are taken into consideration. Homosexual activity is one factor determined relevant in making a determination concerning the individual's suitability for access to classified information. A pattern of recurrent adult homosexual conduct can be expected to lead to an adverse determination, based in large part on undue risk that the individual (either directly or indirectly) may be exposed to pressure by hostile intelligence services.

I hope this fully satisfies your inquiry.

Sincerely,

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